

Amendments to the Claims

Please cancel claims 7-11, 15, 17 and 19. Please amend claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 12, 16, 18, 22, 23 and 26. Please add new claims 27 and 28. The currently pending claims after amendment are listed below.

1. (Currently Amended) A method of upgrading a computer program installed on a first computer system, the computer program including ~~an instruction~~ a script processing module, the method comprising:
 - receiving an upgrade object associated with the computer program, the upgrade object including ~~an~~ a script comprising a plurality of script instructions of a pre-defined script instruction set adapted for use by the instruction script processing module to upgrade the computer program, the script being not independently executable without the script processing module, the upgrade object being generated on a second computer system remote from said first computer system and transmitted from said second computer system to said first computer system; and
 - performing an upgrade of said computer program by compiling and executing the ~~instruction-set~~ script on said first computer system with the ~~instruction~~ script processing module.
2. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising instructing the ~~instruction~~ script processing module to execute the ~~instruction-set~~ script.
3. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the upgrade object is associated with one or more prerequisites; and further comprising determining if the one or more prerequisites have been met, said step of performing an upgrade of said computer system by compiling and executing the script being performed responsive to determining if the one or more prerequisites have been met.

1 4. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising automatically reporting
2 from said first computer system to said second computer system that the ~~instruction-set~~ script has
3 been executed.

1 5. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the upgrade object is ~~suitable for~~
2 transmission transmitted from said first computer system to said second computer system by
3 electronic mail.

6-11. (Cancelled)

1 12. (Currently Amended) A method of upgrading a computer program installed on a first
2 computer system, the computer program including a script processor, the method comprising:
3 creating an upgrade object associated with the computer program on a second
4 computer system remote from said first computer system, the upgrade object including ~~an~~ a
5 script comprising a plurality of script instructions of a pre-defined script instruction set
6 adapted for use by the script processor to upgrade the computer program, the script being
7 not independently executable without the script processor; and
8 transmitting the upgrade object from the second computer system to the first
9 computer system; and
10 instructing an end user to perform an upgrade of said computer program by compiling
11 and execute executing the ~~instruction-set~~ script with the script processor.

1 13. (Original) The method of claim 12, wherein the upgrade object presents the end user with
2 instructions to perform a task.

1 14. (Original) The method of claim 13, wherein the upgrade object prompts the end user to
2 indicate that the task has been performed.

15. (Cancelled)

16. (Currently Amended) A method of upgrading a computer program on a first computer system, comprising:

(i) installing a computer program on the computer system, the computer program including a script processing module;

(ii) receiving an upgrade object associated with the computer program, the upgrade object including a script comprising a plurality of script instructions of a pre-defined script instruction set adapted for use by the script processing module and a prerequisite field containing one or more prerequisites for executing the script, the upgrade object being generated on a second computer system remote from said first computer system and transmitted from said second computer system to said first computer system; and

(iii) instructing the computer program to process the installation upgrade object, whereby the upgrade object causes the computer system to:

determine if the one or more prerequisites have been met; and

responsive to determining that the one or more prerequisites have been met, instruct the script processing module to execute the script; and

report that the script has been executed.

17. (Cancelled)

1 18. (Currently Amended) A method of installing a computer program into an instruction
2 processing environment on a first computer system, the instruction processing environment
3 including ~~an instruction~~ a script processing module, the method comprising:

4 receiving an installation object associated with the computer program, the installation
5 object including ~~an~~ script comprising a plurality of script instructions of a pre-defined
6 script instruction set adapted for use by the ~~instruction~~ script processing module to install
7 the computer program into the instruction processing environment on said first computer
8 system, the script being not independently executable without the script processing module,
9 the installation object being generated on a second computer system remote from said first
10 computer system and transmitted from said second computer system to said first computer
11 system; and

12 installing said computer program into said instruction processing environment by
13 compiling and executing the ~~instruction-set~~ script with the ~~instruction~~ script processing
14 module.

19. (Cancelled)

1 20. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 18, wherein the installation object is
2 associated with one or more prerequisites; and further comprising determining if the one or more
3 prerequisites have been met, said step of installing said computer program into said instruction
4 processing environment by compiling and executing the script with the script processing module
5 being performed responsive to determining that the one or more prerequisites have been met.

1 21. (Original) The method of claim 18, further comprising reporting that the instruction set
2 has been executed.

22. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 18, wherein the installation object ~~comprises a script suitable for transmission~~ transmitted from said first computer system to said second computer system by electronic mail.

23. (Currently Amended) A method of installing a computer program into an instruction processing environment on a first computer system, the instruction processing environment including ~~an instruction~~ a script processing module, the method comprising:

creating an installation object associated with the computer program on a second computer system remote from said first computer system, the ~~upgrade~~ installation object including ~~an a~~ a script comprising a plurality of script instructions of a pre-defined script instruction set adapted for use by the instruction script processing module to install the computer program into the instruction processing environment on said first computer system, the script being not independently executable without the script processing module;

transmitting the installation object from the second computer system to the first computer program system; and

instructing an end user to install said computer program into said instruction processing environment by compiling and execute ~~executing~~ the ~~instruction set~~ script with the ~~instruction script~~ processing module.

24. (Original) The method of claim 23, wherein the installation object presents the end user with instructions to perform a task.

25 (Original) The method of claim 24, wherein the installation object prompts the end user to indicate that the task has been performed.

26 (Currently Amended) A method for upgrading a computer program on a computer system,
the computer program including ~~an instruction processing program~~ a script processing module,
the method comprising configuring the computer system to perform the method of claim 1.

27. (New) The method of upgrading a computer program of claim 16,
wherein step (ii) comprises receiving a plurality of upgrade objects associated with the
computer program, each upgrade object including a respective script comprising a respective
plurality of script instructions of said pre-defined instruction set, at least one said upgrade object
including a respective prerequisite field containing one or more respective prerequisites for
executing the respective script,
wherein step (iii) comprises instructing the computer program to process said plurality of
upgrade objects, said plurality of upgrade objects causing the computer system to execute the
scripts in a sequence consistent with said prerequisite fields.

28. (New) The method of upgrading a computer program of claim 27,
wherein there exists a plurality of different sequences of executing said scripts which are
consistent with said prerequisite fields.